

collector and connection equipment otherwise qualify as renewable energy source property, A, B, and C will each be considered to have made renewable energy source expenditures equal to one-third of the cost of the collector plus his or her separate connection costs. Such expenditures will be subject to the limitations and other rules separately applicable to A, B, and C with respect to each principal residence, such as those with respect to the \$10 minimum (§1.23-1(d)(1)), prior expenditures (§1.23-1(d)(2)), residential use (paragraph (g) of this section), and joint occupancy (paragraph (h) of this section).

(k) *Basic adjustments.* If a credit is allowed under section 23 or former section 44C for any expenditure with respect to any property, the increase in the basis of that property which would (but for this paragraph) result from such expenditure shall be reduced by the amount of the credit allowed.

(l) *Recordkeeping*—(1) *In general.* No residential energy credit is allowable unless the taxpayer maintains the records described in paragraph (1)(2) of this section. The records shall be retained so long as the contents thereof may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law.

(2) *Records.* The taxpayer must maintain records that clearly identify the energy-conserving components and renewable energy source property with respect to which a residential energy credit is claimed, and substantiate their cost to the taxpayer, any labor costs properly allocable to them paid for by the taxpayer, and the method used for allocating such labor costs.

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§ 1.23-4 Performance and quality standards. [Reserved]

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§ 1.23-5 Certification procedures.

(a) *Certification that an item meets the definition of an energy-conserving component or renewable energy source property.* Upon the request of a manufacturer of an item pursuant to paragraph (b) of this section which is supported by proof that the item is entitled to be certified, the Assistant Commissioner (Technical) shall certify (or shall no-

tify the manufacturer that the request is denied) that:

(1) The item meets the definition of insulation (see §1.23-2(c)(1)).

(2) The item meets the definition of an other energy-conserving component specified in section 23(c)(4) or former section 44C(c)(4) see (§1.23-2(d)(4)).

(3) The item meets the definition of solar energy property (see §1.23-2(f)), wind energy property (see §1.23-2(g)), or geothermal energy property (see §1.23-2(h)).

(4) The item meets the definition of a category of energy-conserving component that has been added to the list of approved items pursuant to paragraph (d)(4)(viii) of §1.23-2.

(5) The item meets the definition of renewable energy source property that transmits or uses a renewable energy source that has been added to the list of approved renewable energy sources pursuant to paragraph (e)(2) of §1.23-2.

(b) *Procedure*—(1) *In general.* A manufacturer of an item desiring to apply under paragraph (a) shall submit the application to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Attention: Associate Chief Counsel (Technical), CC:C:E, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224. Upon being advised by the National Office, orally or in writing, that an adverse decision is contemplated a manufacturer may request a conference. The conference must be held within 21 calendar days from the date of that advice. Procedures for requesting an extension of the 21-day period and notifying the manufacturer of the Service's decision on that request are the same as those applicable to conferences on ruling requests by taxpayers (see section 9.05 of Rev. Proc. 80-20).

(2) *Contents of application.* The application shall include a description of the item (including appropriate design drawings and specifications) and an explanation of the purpose and function of the item. There shall accompany the application a declaration in the following form: "Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this application, including accompanying documents and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the facts presented in support of the application are true, correct, and complete." The